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To: Board of Supervisors
From: Birgitta Corsello, County Administrator
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Subject: Biweekly Update of Significant Issues

1. **County Administrator's Update on Contracts**

The County Administrator has signed the following contracts of significance since the last Significant Issues update:

- Resource Management Public Works, a contract with Faith in Action (effective July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012) to provide transportation services for older adults and chronically ill or disabled persons to medical appointments, \$40,000.

2. **Follow-up Review Report on DVBA Delayed Until Late October, Early November**

On May 24, 2011, the Auditor-Controller presented the results of the financial review and internal control assessment of the Dixon Veterans Building Association (DVBA). On June 28, 2011 at the request of the Board an update was provided a status of the corrective action. All corrective actions were to be implemented by July 7, 2011, and the follow-up review to commence no later than September 1, 2011. The Auditor-Controller anticipated the review to be completed and to report back to the Board in late September or early October. However, the Auditor-Controller has experienced delays by the DVBA in obtaining the necessary information. The delay in obtaining the necessary information will result in our reporting back to the Board in late October or early November. This revised timeline is dependent on the continued cooperation from the DVBA. The DVBA is currently cooperating and the Auditor-Controller is working with the DVBA to complete the review. Additional status updates will be provided if further delays are experienced.

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3. **Solano County Selected for Prestigious Second Year of Funding**

The Health and Social Services Department has been awarded a second year of funding by the U.S. Dept. of Justice to reduce the number of women who reoffend after release from jail or prison. Selection for a second year in this highly competitive federal program will fund the Women's Reentry Achievement Program (WRAP) at \$150,000. This will be matched by a similar County contribution.

The grant provides evidence-based, case management practices geared toward the unique problems of female offenders who do not do well in a traditionally male-oriented system of care.

WRAP case managers make their initial contact with the women while they are still in jail. They provide continued case management for the women as they are released and connect them with the local resources they need. The WRAP program is also helping many Solano public and private agencies coordinate reentry activities – a vitally important function since the State is returning so many offenders to the County for services.

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4. CARES New Name for Consolidated Division Focusing on Children and Older Adults

On December 14, 2010, the Health & Social Services Department presented to the Board a management restructuring plan designed to conserve resources and achieve general fund savings. The Board authorized the department to move forward with this plan.

As part of Health & Social Services' commitment to this plan, the department has consolidated the Child Welfare Services Division and the Older and Disabled Adults Division as of July 1, 2011. Linda Orrante, Deputy Director, oversees management of both areas, which will continue to operate under these names as branches of the new division.

The Division unveiled its new name in August at a potluck in which employees of both branches got to know each other after having participated in a contest to name the new division. The division's new name will be the **Child and Adult REsources and Services** Division (CARES). Employees of both branches look forward to working together more closely and continuing their efforts to protect and improve the lives of both children and adults in Solano County.

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